Sector, 2 in State Public Sector and 59 in Private Sector) with a total installed capacity of 12.25 lakh tonnes registered under Schedule-I of the Newsprint Control Order, 1962 as mills producing newsprint. Actual production and import of newsprint during the last three years was as follows:—

(in lakh tonnes)

Year	Domestic Production	Import
1999-2000	5.04	4.39
2000-2001	6.34	4.42 (Provisional)
2001-2002	6.20	4.08
2002-2003	2.82	1.72
	(Upto September, 2002)	(Upto July, 2002)

(b) and (c) Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Directorate General of Anti-Dumping and Allied Duties) have informed that they have not received any petition for initiating investigation on import of newsprint from any country since January, 2002.

Plan to phase out tobacco production

1209. SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to work-out on a plan to phase out tobacco production in the country over the next five to six years;

(b) if so, the details in this regard; and

(c) the reaction of tabacco farmers and manufacturers of tabacco thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDI): (a) No such proposal is under consideration at present.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Earning of foreign exchange by EPZ and SEZ units

1210. SHRIMATI CHANDRA KALA PANDEY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of units which have started functioning in the Export Processing Zones and the Special Economic Zones in the country;